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RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION

This Response to Advisory Action follows the Advisory Action dated August 21, 2007 of the pending patent application US Application Serial No. 10/699,159. The Advisory Action states that the amendment will not be entered because the addition of the word "flow" requires further search.

Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments which were not entered are not substantive to patentability because the amendments are merely a correction of a typographical error. The typographical correction changes the term "cross membrane filter" to the term "cross flow membrane filter" which is supported throughout the specification and is also found in claim 10 as mentioned in the Response After Final dated August 3, 2007.

The amendment of the claims to include the word "flow" does not require further search by the USPTO because the term "cross flow membrane filter" was searched and recited by the Examiner in the first non-final office action dated March 24, 2006 (see pages 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 and discussion relating to the reference "Membranes the Finest Filtration." In addition, the term "cross flow membrane filter" was mentioned by the Examiner as the basis for the double-

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated May 3, 2007.

The pending claims are set forth on pages 2-6 of this paper.

Remarks are set forth on pages 7- 13 of this paper.